## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the
Northern District of Ohio

Troffile III District of Office	
City of Huntington, West Virginia  Plaintiff  V.  AmerisourceBergen Drug Corporation, et al.  Defendant	In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation  Civil Action No. 17-md-2804  This document applies to: 17-op-45054
WAIVER OF THE SE	RVICE OF SUMMONS
To: Linda Singer  (Name of the plaintiff's attorney or unrepresented plaintiff)	
I have received your request to waive service of a st two copies of this waiver form, and a prepaid means of return	ummons in this action along with a copy of the complaint, rning one signed copy of the form to you.
I, or the entity I represent, agree to save the expense	e of serving a summons and complaint in this case.
I understand that I, or the entity I represent, will jurisdiction, and the venue of the action, but that I waive any	keep all defenses or objections to the lawsuit, the court's y objections to the absence of a summons or of service.
Defendants will not answer or move under Rule 12 unless motion under Rule 12 will not be grounds for a default judg	oratorium on the filing of answers or motions under Rule 12. s so ordered by the Court. The failure to file an answer or ment.
Date: 7/12/2018	Signature of the attorney or unrepresented party
Cardinal Health, Inc.  Printed name of party waiving service of summons	Emily Pistilli  Printed name  Williams & Connolly LLP  725 Twelfth Street, NW  Washington, D.C. 20005  Address  EPistilli@wc.com  E-mail address
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## **Duty to Avoid Unnecessary Expenses of Serving a Summons**

Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure requires certain defendants to cooperate in saving unnecessary expenses of serving a summons and complaint. A defendant who is located in the United States and who fails to return a signed waiver of service requested by a plaintiff located in the United States will be required to pay the expenses of service, unless the defendant shows good cause for the failure.

"Good cause" does *not* include a belief that the lawsuit is groundless, or that it has been brought in an improper venue, or that the court has no jurisdiction over this matter or over the defendant or the defendant's property.

If the waiver is signed and returned, you can still make these and all other defenses and objections, but you cannot object to the absence of a summons or of service.

If you waive service, then you must, within the time specified on the waiver form, serve an answer or a motion under Rule 12 on the plaintiff and file a copy with the court. By signing and returning the waiver form, you are allowed more time to respond than if a summons had been served.